



## 2015-2016 Academic Year 1 - Research Assistantship (Doctoral Students only)

Office of Research and Evaluation
Placement ID: Transpational

**Topic Area:** Transnational Issues, including trafficking in persons, transnational organized crime, and violent extremism.

Research assistant project task responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- Updating materials and presentations on three separate portfolios of research into one coherent program of study. This entails:
  - ► Working with scientific project officers to improve the transnational program plan and its public-facing documents.
  - ► Documenting existing scholarly literature and identifying research gaps in the field of study.
  - Developing better mechanisms to obtain feedback from practitioners and other interested parties.
- Expanding the community of interest for the transnational program to include:
  - Developing a formal database of contacts based on information held by NIJ and other federal science project officers.
  - Conducting outreach, soliciting input, and documenting feedback from all stakeholders.
- Conducting literature reviews and intramural research related to the transnational program to include gathering articles, other publications, and presentations from current and former grantees.
- Assisting with the hosting of international visitors at NIJ.
- Reviewing final products stemming from NIJ transnational research grants to determine best uses for such products such as embedding key findings into NIJ's topical web pages, adding videos to presentations, creating overviews or information documents for stakeholders, and so on.
- Coordinating NIJ-funded research findings from the transnational program with findings from other countries.
- Working across NIJ offices, specifically the Office of Communications, to coordinate dissemination and translation efforts.
- Assisting in the planning of transnational workshops and expert working groups.
- Revising NIJ web topical pages on transnational issues.